

**AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF WAUKESHA COUNTY**  
**ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date/Time: 06/05/14 9:30 a.m.**

**Location: Human Services Center**  
**514 Riverview Ave, Room 271**  
**Waukesha WI 53188**

**Committee Members:**

<u>X</u>	Cizel, Maria	<u>X</u>	Patterson, Sandy
<u>X</u>	Franklin, Robert	<u>A</u>	Ruf, John
<u>X</u>	Gamez, Margaret	<u>X</u>	Spitz, Carolyn
<u>X</u>	Goetz, Jennifer	<u>X</u>	Turkoske, Julie
<u>X</u>	Graham, Bill	<u>X</u>	Wolff, Sandy
<u>X</u>	Lee, Glenn	<u>X</u>	Zaborowski, William
<u>EA</u>	Ludka, Elaine		

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**X = Present      A = Absent      EA = Excused Absence**

**Additional Attendees:**

<u>EA</u>	Page, Luann
<u>X</u>	Smith, Mary
<u>X</u>	Glasgow, Mike
<u>X</u>	Smith, Sue

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Chair B. Graham.

**Public Comments:**

None

**Approval of May 1, 2014 meeting minutes – Chair B. Graham:**

Chair B. Graham called for approval of the meeting minutes of May 1, 2014. S. Patterson moved to approve the minutes; S. Wolff seconded the motion. All in attendance approved. Motion carried.

**Educational Segment - “Deaf 101 – What You Need to Know” - Bette Mentz-Powell, Regional Coordinator, Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

Bette Mentz-Powell provided the Board with an extremely interesting, informative and lively presentation on this topic. Ms. Mentz-Powell began by stating that Deaf is an invisible disability. She shared that she had normal hearing until she was 30 years old, and experienced total hearing loss due to a genetic disease. The issues for total hearing loss are very different from being born deaf, however some of the barriers are the same, the foremost being communication. Deaf/hard of hearing and deaf/blind people have the same needs as hearing people. They need and use the services provided by ADRC. Ms. Mentz-Powell has toured the

state with her colleague, presenting to six different ADRCs. The goal is to educate staff in an effort to work more effectively with deaf and hard of hearing people, to talk about resources that are available and to collaborate on services for the population.

### **ADRC Manager's Report – L. Page**

No Report

### **ADRC Coordinator's Report – M. Smith**

- ADRC Coordinator Mary Smith introduced Mike Glasgow, Nutrition and Transportation Supervisor to the Board. Mike is a registered dietitian who came to the ADRC from GWAAR, where he oversaw the Nutrition Program for the entire state of Wisconsin. Welcome Mike!
- M. Smith advised the Board that our Disability Benefit Specialists were contracted with GWAAR. The ADRC was notified in early May that GWAAR would be terminating that contract with the ADRC at the end of May. We did not want staff to be without an employer and we could not be without DBS per the ADRC Contract. LSS stepped forward to pick up those contracts; DBS staff are now contracted with LSS. The contract with GWAAR ended last Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> and the contract with LSS began on Monday June 2<sup>nd</sup>. It was a very smooth transition.
- The ADRC did receive the Dementia Care Specialist Grant and will be hiring a Dementia Care Specialist for Waukesha County. The ADRC approached LSS in the hope that they would be interested in being the contract agency for this staff person and they have agreed to do so. The position is currently posted. We hope that we will have someone on board by mid-to late June.
- The ADRC will participate in the Hispanic Health Fair June 20 that is being organized by Public Health.
- The ADRC is administering the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program this year. Staff is scheduled to distribute Farmer's Market Vouchers at seven sites throughout the county in June. The vouchers will also be available at the ADRC until they are gone.
- We had a very successful Open House with more than 50 people attending.
- Several Waukesha County Board Supervisors will be riding along and delivering Home Delivered Meals on June 25<sup>th</sup>.
- The electric door openers leading into the ADRC are being installed.
- Brochure racks are here and installed.
- The 2015 budget process will begin next week.
- M. Smith requested Mike Glasgow share information regarding the senior dining site in Oconomowoc.
  - M. Glasgow shared that although he agrees sound is a factor, his primary concern is accessibility and safety for the seniors who attend the site, and also the volunteers who are there on a daily basis. M. Glasgow went to the Oconomowoc location on June 4<sup>th</sup>. He asked attendees how they liked the site. The complaints were exactly as what was identified in the assessment letter and exactly what the Advisory Board identified as well. M. Glasgow met briefly with John Kelliher, Director of the Oconomowoc Community Center after the meal. John did say that some of the things in the assessment report are valid, but he would like to meet soon to discuss the history and share plans that are in the works. M. Smith and the Oconomowoc Senior Dining Site Manager will accompany M. Glasgow when he meets with John Kelliher.

**Advisory Board Chair Report – Chair B. Graham:**

- B. Graham asked Board members to provide their ideas on the four major threats facing senior citizens, for example alcohol, gambling, eating/nutrition and illegal/over-prescribed drugs. Members agreed with the four examples and also provided suggestions to include scams, exploitation, hoarding and lack of retirement security.
- B. Graham also shared that he has been asked to provide a letter from the ADRC Advisory Board Chairperson for the July ADRC Connection Newsletter. He requested assistance/suggestions from members for the content. Suggestions included an invitation to attend a meeting, to explain what the Board all about, that we advocate for the people we represent, that we are the real thing and that this Board does get things done. B. Graham thanked all for their input.

**State Aging Advisory Committee Report - S. Wolff:**

As a follow-up to last month's report, S. Wolff asked Board members to provide their personal thoughts on the best way to reach seniors with announcements of elderly programs available at both the county and state level. Suggestions included mail, email, television, Newsletters, word of mouth and government websites.

**Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR):**

GWAAR is working on Mike Glasgow's replacement.

**Health and Human Services Board and Committee Report – B. Zaborowski:**

- A report from the Public Hearing was submitted to the County Executive, key items identified include Public Health, Contract Services and Drug Treatment. More meetings are scheduled for July.
- Supervisors Duane Paulson and Christine Howard and citizen Mary Lodes are now on the Health and Human Services Board.
- Discussion regarding using Lad Lake to Provide Contracted Shelter Care Services. Will be on the Agenda in June.

**Other Business/Updates - All:**

None

**Adjournment:**

R. Franklin moved to adjourn the meeting. B. Zaborowski seconded the motion; all in attendance approved. Motion is carried.

**Next Meeting: July 3, 2014**

**Health & Human Services Center, Board Room 271**

**514 Riverview Avenue**

**Waukesha WI 53188**

**Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_**

*Recorded and Submitted by Sue Smith*